GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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NHRC REPORT ON HANDICAPPED PERSONS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has submitted any report on upliftment and advancement of handicapped persons;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action being taken by the Government on the report?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) to (c) Yes Sir. The report relates to constitution of a Task Force on Accessibility, formulation of a National Policy for Persons with Disabilities, nomination of a nodal officer on Disability in Central Ministries/Departments, inclusion of disability component in the course curriculum of higher education. The National Policy for Persons with Disabilities has been formulated after wide consultations with concerned Central Ministries and other stakeholders including non-governmental organisations, activists and experts. It highlights the thrust areas where interventions are required. The policy document has been sent to all the Central Ministries and State Governments/U.T. Administrations for implementation of the action points made in the Policy.